

**MASSACHUSETTS APPEALS COURT - FISCAL YEAR 2008**

**STATISTICAL REPORT**

**Origin of Appeals**

| County     | Superior<br>Civil/Crim. | Probate &<br>Family | BMC/District<br>Civil/Crim. | Juvenile*<br>Civil/Crim. | Total     |
|------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------|
| Barnstable | 19/12                   | 11                  | 2/13                        | 1/0                      | 58        |
| Berkshire  | 12/18                   | 0                   | 0/11                        | 7/0                      | 48        |
| Bristol    | 30/35                   | 1                   | 3/42                        | 9/1                      | 121       |
| Dukes      | 3/2                     | 1                   | 0/0                         | 0/0                      | 6         |
| Essex      | 61/36                   | 19                  | 5/53                        | 9/1                      | 184       |
| Franklin   | 4/5                     | 2                   | 0/6                         | 4/0                      | 21        |
| Hampden    | 24/112                  | 8                   | 1/24                        | 13/6                     | 188       |
| Hampshire  | 6/9                     | 3                   | 1/9                         | 0/0                      | 28        |
| Middlesex  | 132/100                 | 30                  | 10/86                       | 12/7                     | 377       |
| Nantucket  | 0/0                     | 0                   | 0/1                         | 0                        | 1         |
| Norfolk    | 79/20                   | 15                  | 11/34                       | 8/0                      | 167       |
| Plymouth   | 34/72                   | 3                   | 2/69                        | 5/5                      | 190       |
| Suffolk    | 204/100                 | 15                  | 7/94                        | 11/6                     | 437       |
| Worcester  | <u>13/37</u>            | <u>16</u>           | <u>4/25</u>                 | <u>4/0</u>               | <u>99</u> |
| SUBTOTAL   | 621/558                 | 124                 | 46/467                      | 83/26                    | 1,925     |

**OTHER SOURCES OF APPEALS:**

|                                  | <u>Civil</u> | <u>Criminal</u> | TOTAL      |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|------------|
| Appeals Court Single Justice     | 18           | 7               | 25         |
| Land Court                       | 58           | 0               | 58         |
| Housing Court                    | 16           | 0               | 16         |
| Appellate Tax Board              | 28           | 0               | 28         |
| Industrial Accident Review Board | 24           | 0               | 24         |
| Labor Relations Commission       | 7            | 0               | 7          |
| <b>SUBTOTAL</b>                  | <u>151</u>   | <u>7</u>        | <u>158</u> |

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| <b>TOTAL APPEALS</b> | 1,025 | 1,058 | 2,083 |
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\*NOTE: Juvenile Court data for the Franklin/Hampshire Division are reported under Franklin County.

**Dispositions**

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| Total panel entries:                                       | 2,083 |
| Transferred to Supreme Judicial Court:                     | 70    |
| Dismissed/settled/withdrawn/consolidated:                  | 498   |
| "Net" annual entries:                                      | 1,515 |
| Published opinions:  | 255   |
| Summary dispositions:                                      | 1,075 |
| Total decisions (669 civil, 661 criminal):                 | 1,330 |
| Decision of lower court affirmed (528 civil, 543 criminal) | 1,071 |
| Decision of lower court reversed (83 civil, 88 criminal)   | 171   |
| Other result reached (58 civil, 30 criminal)               | 88    |